

AMENDMENTS TO SPECIFICATION:

Page 21, please amend the paragraph beginning on line 7 with the following amended paragraph:

--The fact that the enhancer of the present invention exhibited gene expression enhancing effect within 24 hours after gene transfer (infection) suggests the possibility that the episomal AAV genome which had not undergone chromosomal integration ~~was modified by histone~~ underwent histone modification, whereby ~~[[the]]~~ its gene expression was regulated and enhanced.--